

PROCESSION OF CONGRESS (O) PRESIDENT IN BELGAUM

434. SRI B. B. SAYANAK (Belgaum).—Will the Chief Minister be pleased to state:—

(a) Whether Samyukta Karnataka had published a news that a procession in which Sri Veerendra Patil, Congress (O) President and Sri Ramakrishna Hegde were sitting on elephants was taken out on 22nd January, 1974;

(b) Whether it is a fact that Maharashtra Ekikarana Samithi had announced that a procession would be taken on that day.

(c) Whether it is a fact that the permission was not granted to both procession on the day;

(d) Whether it is a fact that inspite of the refusal to grant permission for taking out procession, the Congress (O) people had taken out procession under the protection of Police in Khasbag and Vadgoan in Belgaum City;

(e) Whether it is a fact that Sri Veerendra Patil had visited Shahapur Police Station and he was garlanded thereby the Police Officer?

SRI D. DEVARAJ Urs (Chief Minister);—

(a) No

(b) Yes.

(c) Yes.

(d) No such procession was taken out.

(e) No.

DAMAGE CAUSED TO TRUCKS BEARING
MAHARASHTRA REGISTRATION

435. SRI B. B. SAYANAK (Belgaum).—Will the Chief Minister be pleased to state.—

(a) The number of trucks bearing Maharashtra registration numbers that were burnt in the State in the month of December 1973 in the presence of police;

(b) Whether it is a fact that the Kannada speaking people had written slogans like Karantaka Zindabad, Veerendra Patil Zindabad and Devaraj Urs Murdabad on the trucks;

(c) The loss suffered due to burning of the trucks ;

(d) The number of persons arrested this connection?